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- V. Observations of the Occultation of Mars by the Moon, Oct. 7. 1736. communicated to the Royal Society.
- 1. An Observation of the Occultation of Mars by the Moon, Oct. 7. 1736. made by Mr. Geo. Graham, F. R. S. in Fleetstreet, London, with a Refracting Telescope of 12 Feet.
- October 7th, the first Contact could not be seen for Clouds.

Apparent Time. H. M. S.

At 14 24 44 Mars appear'd about half cover'd, but a diffinct View could not be had for flying Clouds.

14 25 21 Mars totally cover'd, the last Ray of Light being then lost.

15 11 22 The *Moon* appear'd, but *Mars* was not feen, no Part being yet emerg'd.

15 11 I judg'd it was quite emerg'd, but Clouds prevented the *Moon*'s Limb from being distinctly seen.

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2. An Observation of an Occultation of Mars by the Moon, in Covent-Garden, 1736. by J. Bevis, M. D.

Efore the Eclipse, I took several Differences of Right Ascension and Declination between  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mu$  Piscium, for ascertaining the true Place of Mars: As also several Differences of Right Ascension and Declination between the Moon and Mars, before and after the Eclipse, which I shall give another Time:

Octob. 7. P. M.

Apparent Time.

H. M. S.

14 24 10 I was furpriz'd to see Mars continue quite round, though hardly, to Appearance, disjoin'd from the scabrous Edge of the Moon; but that Instant I thought it began to lose its Figure.—Clouds.

14 25 26 The Moon shone out bright again, but Mars was intirely vanish'd.

15 14 46 The Moon being just clear of a Cloud, I saw Mars partly emerged.

15 14 49 He feem'd just half out; then Clouds came on again, so that I saw not the final Contact.

The *Moon*'s Diameter was 21,157 Parts of the Micrometer and its illuminated Part pass'd over the horary Thread in 2 Minutes, 3 Seconds.

I am certain of the Time to 2 or 3 Seconds.